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That Belin business bugged me to the pint where I stopped writing and went htru yourlet in haste. I can see no basis for his asking you these questions as a ore-condition of any correspondence, nothing to be gained by answering them (though you did well, on the whole but quite inadequately from my point of view because you simply do not know enough about this area and provided him with what he can later use out of context but in seeming context. You made the mistake of ever trusting Commission (Belin) evidence, as on the tine itself. You agreed to some bf his inventions, ignored what he ignored, etc. If you said less than you knew, I hope we do not all pay for it by his misuse of your letter as the state of knowledge of and beliefs of all critics. And you conceded what you should not have, such things as on analysis of one element in a chain of evidence. For acquittal, as every lawyer knows, this is adequate. It must all stack, not just almost all. If for example, I can show that he began his time calculations at a wrong and untenable moment, 1:03, whatever follows is irrelevant, no matter how well it seems to stack. There is no way of knowing, as he assumed, from the logs, when Tippit was killed. There is not even a single dependable log to be quoted. But there is proof he suppressed that the shooting was much earlier, by 1;10, and I have it (Powley). As a general rule, if you do not mind my suggestion, never engage in letter disputes with any of those bastards. In public, with an audience, fine, but not even under their terms. Especially because they are lawyers and in positions of some influence and get attention when we cannot. There are other such things, but I've no time now. There may nothing come of this, but I see possibilities, depending on him. If you get something of real value, I'll be surprised. And obvious liabilities he as a lawyer suffers you omitted, like why didn't he have a real time reconstruction, why did he suppress what he didn't want known or considered, why did he use testimony selectively, etc. Rushed, HW